

ORDINANCE NO. 024-159

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
AWARD OF A NON-COMPETITIVELY
BID PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
CONTRACT TO JUDY LEDGERWOOD
FOR ARTWORK FOR THE
BLUE LINE RACINE STATION

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority (the "Authority") seeks to incorporate artwork at the Blue Line Racine station to create public art for riders and the community; and

WHEREAS, Original artwork will contribute to the station's identity and enhance travel for customers by promoting a friendly, inviting atmosphere at the station; and

WHEREAS, Judy Ledgerwood is a Chicago-based artist who earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Art Academy of Cincinnati and a Master of Fine Arts from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ledgerwood has held numerous solo exhibitions, most recently at The Graham Foundation and Smart Museum of Art in Chicago, Tracy Williams Ltd. in New York, Barbara Davis Gallery in Houston, Hausler Contemporary in Austria, and Rhona Hoffman Gallery in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ledgerwood is the recipient of the Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Award, Artadia Award, Tiffany Award in the Visual Arts, National Endowment for the Arts Award, and Illinois Art Council Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ledgerwood's work is included in prominent public collections including the Art Institute of Chicago, the Museum of Contemporary Art of Chicago, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, the Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles, the Milwaukee Museum of Art, and the RATP transit art collection, and Bir Hakeim station in Paris, France, which is a Sister Cities International Program gift exchange from the City of Chicago to the City of Paris; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, Ledgerwood was commissioned by the Embassy of the United States in Vientiane, Laos to create a monumental site-specific painting, and in 2018 she became the first Chicago-based artist to create an installation for the Art Institute's Bluhm Family Terrace; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has reviewed and accepted Judy Ledgerwood's proposal for artwork at the Blue Line Racine station; and

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WHEREAS, Based on Ms. Ledgerwood's unique knowledge, qualifications, and past performance, the Authority has determined that it would not be cost effective, time efficient, or in the best interests of the Authority or the public to advertise for these services; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.4B of the Authority's Procurement Policy and Procedures provides for the award of contracts without competitive bidding when the desired services require professional, technical, or artistic skill and federal funds are not utilized; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, the President of the Authority, and the Vice President of Purchasing and Supply Chain, or their designees, are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Judy Ledgerwood for artwork for the Blue Line Racine Station for an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$304,500.00) under Requisition No. C24CT103071674.

SECTION 2. The Chairman, President, and Vice President of Purchasing and Supply Chain, or their designees, are further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

December 11, 2024

Secretary

December 11, 2024